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Sir:

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL DUE TO AGE OF APPLICANT (MPEP § 708.02)

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special due to applicant John W. Moore's age. Mr. Moore will turn 69 on February 6, 2007.

Accompanying this petition is a true and correct copy of Mr. Segal's birth certificate as well as a copy of his passport, showing a birth date of February 6, 1938, evidencing that he is over the age of 65 required by MPEP Section 708.02.

In light of the foregoing, Applicant requests expedited examination on the merits of this application.

PETITION GRANTED

William Krynski Special Program Examiner Technology Center 1700

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